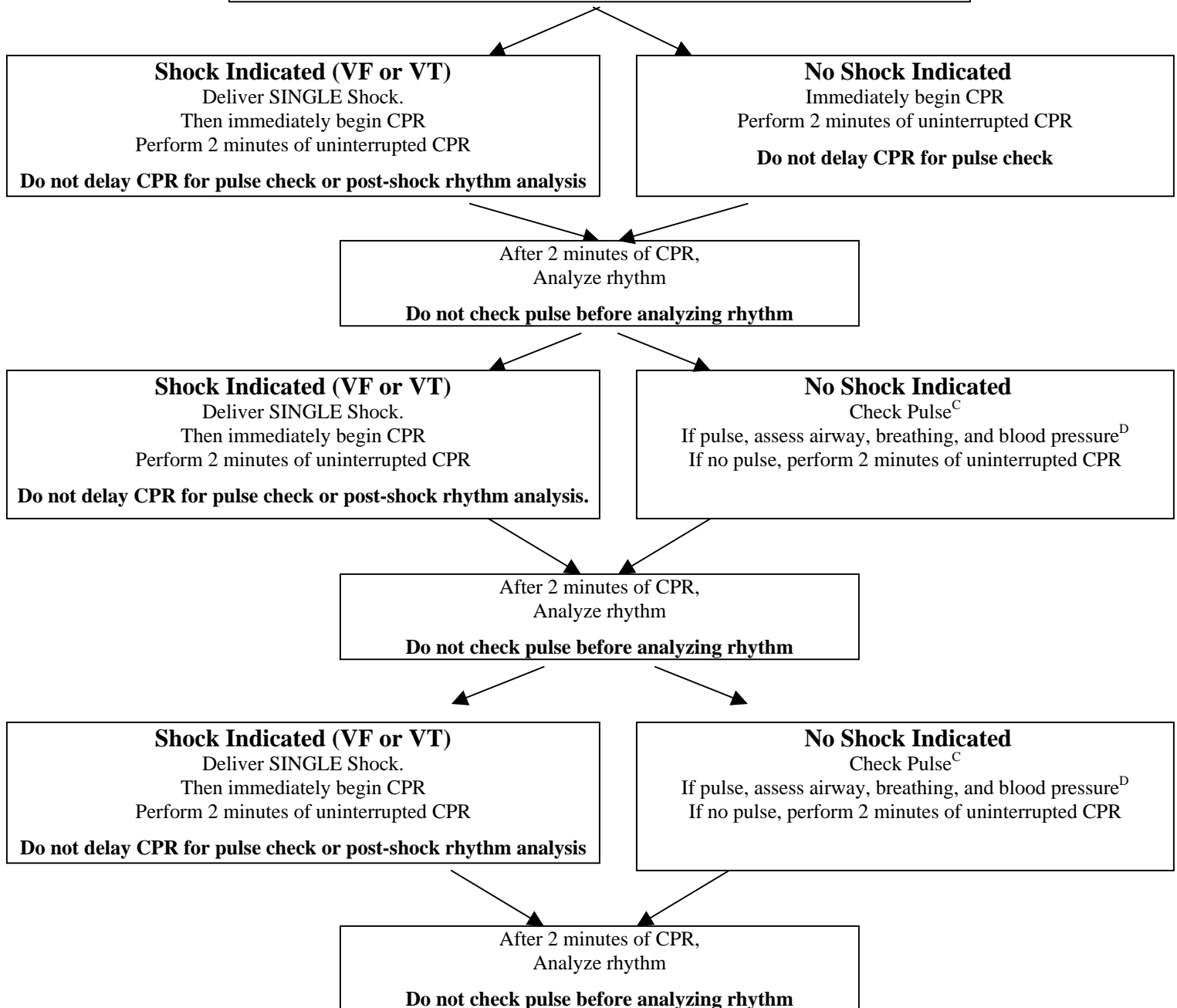


King County Emergency Medical Services Algorithm For Manual/AED Cardiac Resuscitation (9/05)

1. Assess ABCs. If not breathing, open airway & begin ventilations. If no pulse.....
2. Perform effective CPR until defibrillator is attached. Begin verbal report
3. Clear the patient.
4. Analyze the rhythm.



Notes:

- A. Shockable rhythm is defined as VF or unconscious/pulseless VT.
- B. Periods of CPR should not be interrupted except in cases of need to manage airway (emesis, etc.)
- C. For manual departments, check pulse only if organized rhythm. Start CPR if no pulse or asystole rhythm.
- D. Any patient found unconscious, unresponsive with a systolic BP <60 should have CPR initiated. If a pulse is detected during resuscitation but systolic blood pressure < 60, resume CPR.
- E. If at anytime 3 consecutive “no shocks” are advised, continue CPR without interruption until medics arrive.
- F. Count out loud for chest compressions.